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PROCEEDINGS

OR

A MEETING OF INHABITANTS OF CUYAHOGA COUNTY,

Asking a restoration of the Deposites, and the recharter of the Bank of the United States.

May 19, 1834.

Read, and laid upon the table.

Agreeably to the call for a public meeting, signed by 204 of the citizens of Cleveland and of the county of Cuyahoga, a very numerous and respectable assemblage convened at the court-house, on Tuesday evening, the 18th of March, 1834. On motion of Judge Allen, of Chagrin, Samuel Cowls, Esq. was called to the chair, and G. W. Card and B. Andrews were appointed Secretaries. The object of the meeting having been explained by the Chair, J. W. Allen, Esq. rose, and, in a few appropriate remarks, exhibited a history of the present condition of the country, and the cause of the embarrassment and distress which so universally prevail. He concluded by offering a motion for the appointment of a committee to draught resolutions expressive of the sense of the meeting, which was carried. The Chair announced the names of the following gentlemen to constitute said committee, viz.

Judge Allen, S. J. Andrews, J. W. Allen, Esq., and Judge Fuller. On motion of J. A. Foote, Esq., a portion of one of the letters of the late Secretary of the Treasury, Wm. J. Duane, was read to the meeting; after which, J. R. St. John addressed the same in vindication of the acts of the Executive.

The committee to which the subject was referred, reported the following;

resolutions, which were carried with scarcely a dissenting voice:

Resolved, That, as by the terms of the charter of the Bank of the United States, the public money was to be deposited in its vaults on certain conditions, which we believe have been fully complied with, for the use of which, among other equivalents, the sum of fifteen hundred thousand dollars was paid by the Bank to the people; therefore, it is the opinion of this meeting that the removal of the deposites was a violation of the rights of the Bank and of the public faith.

Resolved, That the pecuniary distress which pervades the country is attributable to the unlawful removal of the public deposites, and to the hostile attitude assumed by the Executive towards the United States Bank.

Resolved, That a National Bank is of the highest importance to the convenient management of the fiscal concerns of the Government, and that it is essentially important also to the people individually, especially to those of the Western States, by furnishing them a currency always equivalent to, and generally much more desirable than gold or silver.

Resolved, That this meeting earnestly request the Senators and Representatives from Ohio to use their efforts to procure a restoration of the public deposites to the Bank of the United States, and a recharter of the Bank itself, with such alterations as experience and the wisdom of Con-

gress may dictate.

Resolved, That the thanks of this meeting be presented to Wm. J. Duane, Esq. for the firm, manly, and independent stand taken by him in resisting the Executive encroachments, and in preferring the good of his country to the honor, emolument, and patronage of official station.

Resolved, That the resolutions adopted by the State Legislature, sustaining the Executive in his war upon the currency of the country, do not speak the real sentiments of the people, but exhibit only the views of men

whose principles are regulated by party discipline.

Resolved, That S. J. Andrews, N. Allen, T. M. Kelly, J. W. Allen, and O. B. Skinner be a committee to draught a memorial to Congress expressive of the views of this meeting, obtain signatures, and transmit the same, together with a copy of these resolutions, to each of our Senators and Representatives in Congress.

SAMUEL COWLS, Chairman.

G. W. CARD,
B. Andrews,
Secretaries.

To the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States in Congress assembled:

The undersigned, inhabitants of the county of Cuyahoga, in the State of Ohio, respectfully beg leave to add their testimony to that of their fellow-citizens who have already laid their memorials before you, on the subject of the pecuniary embarrassments by which our country is so suddenly and

deeply afflicted.

This distress, your memorialists believe, is to be attributed to the hostility of the Executive of the United States to the Bank of the United States, and to the removal of the public deposites, in violation of law and the rights of the Bank. Had this act been done for good cause, and by an officer authorized to take the responsibility of doing it, your memorialists would quietly submit to the consequences; but, viewing it as a measure adopted only to gratify feelings of personal hostility to an institution so important to the interests of the Government and the people, they feel impelled by a sense of duty strongly to condemn it.

Your memorialists are merchants, farmers, mechanics, manufacturers, and artisans; and they severely feel the effects of the derangement of the currency in the depreciation of the value of their property and labor.

They believe the deposites ought to be restored to the Bank, and that the Bank ought, for the welfare of the country, to be rechartered, with suitable modifications.

To Congress alone your memorialists look for relief, and they flatter themselves its wise and efficient action may prove adequate to restore to the laws the supremacy, and to your constituents that prosperity and happiness of which they have been so wantonly deprived.

April 1, 1834.

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